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Because, however, the current (and unnecessary) restriction sets forth additional grounds that are improper, the basis for the current restriction is traversed. This is done to clarify the record. Examination can proceed on the Group II claims as it has been proceeding. The additional restriction requirement only serves to delay prosecution of this case, and is improper as it does nothing to advance the examination of this case. Claims 55-64 were already withdrawn in the office action that was mailed on October 17, 2006.